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Attorney's Docket No: Cardiobeat-2
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In-re application of :
George McBride, et al :
Filed: 03/27/2000 : EXAMINER: PAUL L. KIM
Title: Medical Testing Internet Server System and Method : Art Unit 2857
Serial No.: 09/535,185 :

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.131

By
ROBERT ROYCE

I, ROBERT ROYCE hereby declare as follows:

1. My address is 2427 Huber, Mesa, AZ 85213
2. At least as early as July 9, 1999, George McBride and I conceived the invention that is the subject of the above-identified patent application. Evidence of this conception is an emailed executive summary of the project dated July 09, 1999, a redacted copy of which is attached as Exhibit 1.
3. Subsequent to the conception of the invention George McBride and I were diligent in reducing the invention to practice as evidenced by a continuous development activity pertaining to the reduction to practice of the invention up to and beyond the filing date of the above-identified patent application. At no time from the date of conception of the invention through the filing date of the above-identified application did the development activity cease.
4. Subsequent to July 9, 1999, a new corporate entity was formed, Cardiobeat.com, develop and market the invention. I reviewed and provided input to George Mc Bride in the preparation of a development plan for the invention, one version of which was sent by email to me by George McBride and which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.
5. Subsequent to at least as early as July 9, 1999 I contacted engineering firms to contract with them to assist in reducing the invention to practice. As a result of this activity, proposed design approaches to implementing aspect of the invention was received by me from Warren Williamson in an email dated August 17, 1999. A copy of the email as forwarded to George McBride is attached as Exhibit 3.
6. Subsequent to at least as early as August 17, 2002 I worked substantially continuously and full time in reducing the concept to practice as an employee/owner of Cardiobeat.com

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7. At-frequent times throughout the development activity of the invention, George McBride and I consulted with Dr. James Buell, regarding medical applications and impedance cardiography which is used in the illustrative embodiment of the invention. One email communication that I received from Dr. Buell is attached hereto as Exhibit 4 dated 9/18/1999.

8. At all times subsequent to the conception of the invention, both George McBride and I continued to work on the reduction to practice of the invention including development of software. As part of my full time activities in reducing the concept to practice, I prepared a status report that I sent to George McBride by email dated October 15, 1999, attached as Exhibit 5, that discusses the development of aspects of the invention and includes an attached flow chart. The flow chart indicates that a portion of the database activity that is part of the reduction to practice of the invention is "about 1/2 done at this time".

9. On December 22, 1999, a meeting was held to review the development status of the invention. A copy of the overview of that development status is attached as Exhibit 6. I participated in that meeting and reported on activities indicated in the attached overview.

10. From December 23, 1999 through March 27, 2000, I along with George McBride had several meetings with patent attorney Donald J. Lenkszus to disclose our invention and the illustrative embodiment development with him so that he could prepare and file patent applications on the subject invention and related inventions.

11. Warren Williamson of W.L. Williamson & Associates provided engineering services throughout this stage of the development activities. Mr. Williamson provided a quotation for engineering service in a letter to me dated January 7, 2000, attached as Exhibit 7, as a result of earlier conversations that I had with him relative to providing engineering services relative to implementation of the invention at the direction of myself and George McBride. The quotation was accepted and Mr. Williamson provided engineering services for this aspect of the project beginning in January 2000.

11. Mr. Williamson provided engineering services as indicated by a report on Timing of Test Waveforms dated 2/1/00 attached as Exhibit 8; a communication, attached as Exhibit 9, regarding communications protocol dated 2/21/00 as revision 1 to an original dated 2/9/00; a document titled "Cardiobeat data contents" dated 2/28/2000, attached as Exhibit 10; and an invoice for services dated March 6, 2000, attached as Exhibit 11.

12. All the attached documents are true copies of original documents.

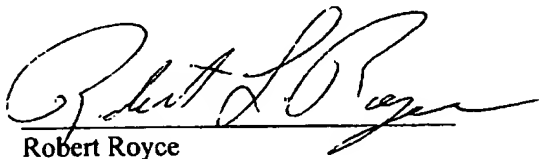
13. Throughout the period from conception of the invention through the filing date of the above-identified patent application, George McBride and I continuously and diligently worked on reducing the invention to practice either through our direct personal efforts and/or through direction of others in implementing various aspects of the product embodying the invention. I worked substantially-full-time on-reducing the invention to practice from at least as early as August 17, 1999 through the date on which the above-identified patent application was filed.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


Robert Royce

Date: OCTOBER 20, 2003

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EXHIBIT 1

From: George McBride
Sent: Friday, July 09, 1999 13:27
To: 'bob@softque.com'
Subject: FW: Executive Summary - Cardiac Technology Business Plan

Bob,

The following Executive Summary was sent to Mike Buchanan for his comments. Larry and I would like your reaction and comments as a "fresh" reader. When you work on a document extensively the substance becomes familiar and objectivity is lost. Any comments to improve clarity would be appreciated.

The purpose of the summary is to sell the idea and convey the scope. Details (how this will happen) will be integrated into the business plan. We expect that you will be frustrated by the broad sweep of the summary. Even with that, will it sell the concept?

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-----Original Message-----

From: George McBride
Sent: July 09, 1999 13:18
To: J. Michael Buchanan (E-mail)
Cc: Larry Macdonald (E-mail)
Subj ct: Executive Summary - Cardiac Technology Business Plan

Mike,

Please comment on this executive summary. Does it tell the story?
Lets talk about how to proceed and how quickly we can move. The funding requirement is based on having a product available in 6 months with full deployment in a year.

Thanks again for the hospitality.

Draft Executive Summary.

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DiagnosticDoctor.com

Executive Summary

About Cardiac Technology

Cardiac Technology (CT) has developed and is selling non-invasive diagnostic systems. The first product is Hemodynamic Monitoring (HD) a procedure that replaces invasive heart catheterization providing information on stroke volume, cardiac output, systemic resistance, and cardiac function indices.

The Portable Cardiac Lab (PCL), the current product, is sold to hospitals, private physicians, and emergency technicians to obtain patient cardiovascular information utilizing a noninvasive procedure at very low cost.

The proprietary software that performs HD is the most advanced analytical software of its kind.

Mark t Opportunity

58 million Americans afflicted with heart disease spend \$259 billion each year on treatment. The international market is over twice the size of the US. Ever increasing medical care costs demand cost effective treatment programs like HD. The incidence of heart disease increases as life expectancy increases, such as, congestive heart failure and strokes. Hemodynamic parameters are critical in assessing cardiac function. Yet these parameters are currently difficult and expensive to obtain. Currently the preferred method of obtaining this information is invasive catheterization, which is expensive and life threatening.

HD can be sold to the consumer through an Internet implementation at a greatly reduced cost. The testing logic will be downloaded for each test. The data collection sensors can be connected into any PC with a serial port (or USB). HD software will be downloaded for each test on a fee basis. Test results will be stored in a database for use by physicians and others. The cost of the sensors can be reduced to less than \$100 for the consumer market. Pricing a single HD procedure at \$100 versus \$1,500 for a catheterization will expand the market to anyone in need.

HD will establish a channel for distribution of other tests and procedures, such as, stress and blood pressure tests. The FDA has approved HD for Cardio Dynamics, a competitor, along with Medicare reimbursement qualification. CT has not submitted an application for approval. Based on the Cardio Dynamics approval, CT expects that approval, when requested, will be forthcoming.

Testing over the Internet

As the cost of health care rises individuals are taking a greater role in their medical care for both preventive and remedial medicine. HD offers direct access to a key cardiovascular test for a small cost. Home testing is testing on demand for those with heart disease that require regular monitoring. Immediate access to key tests and equally rapid transfer of the results to the care group will become an essential part of quality treatment in the future.

Establishing this channel will provide for distributing other medical and health products. HD will be the first of many procedures sold over the Internet. Establishing this test will position the Cardiac Technology as a primary channel for medical care through the Internet.

Time to market

Rapid deployment is critical to dominating the market. The HD technology is state of art, tested, and complete. The Internet deployment capability must be completed for general deployment. CT plans to begin field-testing several hundred users in three months with larger tests in six months. Broad deployment would begin in 12 months.

Pricing and Revenue

The average cost per test is \$100. If each of the 60 million Americans afflicted with heart disease used HD once each year, the revenues would be \$6 billion. CT expects HD will be used to address a broad range of cardiac concerns from health interest to intensive care.

The channel developed for distributing HD can be used for advertising and distribution of related products and services.

Funding & Financial Summary

Need for Funding

CT is seeking \$10 million in funding to deliver the PCL Test through the Internet.

Funding is required to

- develop the Internet delivery system,
- upgrade the diagnostic code,
- construct the administrative and customer management systems,
- build the database to hold the test data, and
- reduce the cost of the sensors.

Pro Forma Financials

Cost have been forecast for the first year only

Revenue and Costs are outlined in section ?? of the Business Plan

	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 3</u>	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>
Average Revenue per Test	100				
Number of Tests	101,000	2,000,000	10,000,000	20,000,000	30,000,000
Revenue	\$10,100,000	\$200,000,000	\$1,000,000,000	\$2,000,000,000	\$3,000,000,000
Costs					
Headcount	\$1,000,000				
Startup	\$1,000,000				
Manufacturing	\$1,000,000				
Total Costs	\$3,000,000				
Net Profit Margin	70%	95%	99%	99%	99%
Net Profit	\$7,100,000	\$199,000,000	\$999,000,000	\$1,999,000,000	\$2,999,000,000

George McBride

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EXHIBIT 2

GMcBrid /cardiobeat.com

From: George McBride
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 1999 22:30
To: Bob Royce (E-mail); Larry Macdonald (E-mail)
Subject: Two Pricings...

Gentleman,

The project plan has been adjusted to include additional resource for the Application development. The project plan should be frozen for plan generation.

A second plan was created that attempts to reduce costs to a plan containing ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ of cost. The Infrastructure expenses were also adjusted.

While the primary plan will be the ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ funding. If the price is too rich in share of the company, a ~~XXXXXX~~ back up may be worth discussing.

Larry,

The concentration should be on the ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ plan.

But, if there is time, the reduced deferred Project Plan "Low Cost - 1-3..." and a new column in the Infrastructure tab of the spread sheet can be used to generate a plan that comes in around ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~. This would be a nice back up to the discussion if the question is asked, "Can you do it for less?". I have a meeting out of the office first thing, 0800 and will be in by 0900.

The spreadsheet and 2 project plans are attached.



Low Cost - 1-3
Months Project ...



1-3 Months Project
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		October							November							December			
Task Name		9/12	9/19	9/26	10/3	10/10	10/17	10/24	10/31	11/7	11/14	11/21	11/28	12/5	12/12				
29	Install credit card charge facility																		
30	Create reporting																		
31	Application																		
32	Design General Distribution Test Interface																		
33	Build User Interface for test																		
34	Productize Heart Test Code (v1)																		
35	Split Code into patient and server applications for initial t																		
36	Test algorithms for point placement module																		
37	Code Filters																		
38	Code User Feedback																		
39	Manufacturing																		
40	Design first generation sensors																		
41	Select manufacturer and start volume tests																		
42	Manufacture First Generation Sensors (50 copies)																		
43	Sales and Marketing																		
44	Create sales and marketing Plan																		
45	Submit Patents																		
46	FDA Approval																		
47	Create plan for publicity / demand creation																		
48	Organize test subjects																		
49	Introduce concept to selected MD's																		
50	Create Instructional Video																		
51	Investigate Cardiologist Review of Test Data																		
52	Alliances / product sharing																		

Task		Rolled Up Task	Project Summary	Project Summary
Split	Split	Rolled Up Split	External Milestone	External Milestone
Progress	Progress	Rolled Up Milestone	Deadline	Deadline
Milestone	Milestone	Rolled Up Progress		
Summary	Summary	External Tasks		

Task Name		January					February					March				
ID	Task Name	12/19	12/26	1/2	1/9	1/16	1/23	1/30	2/6	2/13	2/20	2/27	3/5	3/12	3/19	
0	Cardiob at.com Milestones Pr ject Plan D pl yment															
1	Valuation / Milestone Project Plan - Phase 1															
2	Start Up - Hiring, space, general Organization															
3	Administration															
4	Accounting System															
5	Benefits Plan															
6	Start recruiting															
7	Deploy Prototype System (25 Patients) (Start+ 3 Months)															
8	Internet Deployment															
9	Plant and Equipment															
10	Acquire appropriate hardware and software															
11	Implement First Generation Web Servers															
12	Create cardiobeat.com Web Page															
13	Evaluate and select ISP's															
14	Plan for general deployment volumes															
15	The Heart Test Functions															
16	Create Heart Test dB															
17	Build Heart Test Download															
18	Build Client Data Retrieval															
19	Code Test Data Comm tools for user and back															
20	Build doctor's office / clinic test procedure															
21	Trendline evaluation and Reporting															
22	Create Instructional Video Management Facility															
23	Perform Heart tests employing Downloaded Ap															
24	Client Administrative Systems															
25	Create Administration dB															
26	Build (Admin) Patient set-up															
27	Customer Database Maintenance															
28	Create client UI															

Project: Cardiobeat.com Milestones Project Plan Deployer Date: Wed 8/14/02	Task		Rolled Up Task		Project Summary	
	Split		Rolled Up Split		External Milestone	
	Progress		Rolled Up Milestone		Deadline	
	Milestone		Rolled Up Progress			
	Summary		External Tasks			

- 2 **Start Up - Hiring, space, general Organization**
Work quickly to build work force into a competent force for Internet Deployment
- 4 **Accounting System**
 - utilize Profit
 - Get chart of accounts
 - set up preliminary A/P
 - Banking relations
 - Payroll service
- 5 **Benefits Plan**
 - set up health Insurance
 - Stock Options (lawyers)
- 6 **Start recruiting**
 - Set plan for recruiting technical talent
 - identify key technical resources that are required
 - identify recruiting agencies to help locate candidates
 - Set salary guidelines
 - Start interviewing
- 7 **Deploy Pr totype System (25 Patients) (Start+ 3 Months)**
Complete an end to end test
demonstrate download, test operation, upload
utilize the best sensors that can be produced in 2 months
Run tests on at least 20 patients
Produce plan for getting to production quality by start + 6 months
- 8 **Internet Deployment**
Fast start will employ ATI facilities to perform these tasks.
ATI possesses the infrastructure to begin work immediately
- 0 **Acquire appropriate hardware and software**
Utilize the ATI infrastructure to establish an operating environment
Oracle / Application Server
Cardiobeat.com web page
Messaging Capability
Configure a first generation server for performing the test
Set up with Oracle and utilize for Testing and Production
This machine should be capable of handling at least 100,000 tests per month.
Would include DASD to hold 5 million tests.
- 1 **Implement First Generation Web Servers**
For the new box -
Install Unix
Install Oracle with OAS
Install all other development tools
- 2 **Create cardiobeat.com Web Page**
Design and code Cardiobeat.com home web page
Company Introduction
Application for test patient
Job opportunities
- 3 **Evaluate and select ISP's**
Find backup computing resources for supporting high volumes that cannot be handled internally.

- 14 Plan for general deployment volumes
Planning for volumen production and testing to the extent possible.
- 16 Create Heart Test dB
This database holds the test data for each client
Archiving will be considered in the second phase
Design objective for first base should be 1,000,000 tests
Collaborate with the application code team for the database design
- 17 Build Heart Test Download
Key Task -
Define tools for storing and delivering Application Code to Desk Top
Version Control
Tracking "open" customers
Web Pages to guide customer through download
"On Client" Application version detection and management
Customer profile update
Design the Client side Q&A
- 18 Build Client Data Retrieval
Code and Client interface to retrieve and deliver archived tests and trend line calculations.
- 19 Code Test Data Comm tools for user and back room
Tools for routing tests and other patient information to doctors and hospitals
Client side design to collect name and routing information
Form to order routing
Confirmation of routing
Emergency Procedures for out-of-line conditions
- 20 Build doctor's office / clinic test procedure
Create logic to take tests, deliver to the doctor for immediate evaluation
Characterize differently form individual Customer tests in amount and sophistication of the data.
- 21 Trendline evaluation and Reporting
Multiple tests can be scrutinized for trends in cardiovascular performance
define trend analysis requirements
build test code
define initial graphical presentations
- 22 Create Instructional Video Management Facility
Video to instruct and demonstrate proper sensor attachment and other procedures to the customer.
- 23 Perform Heart tests employing Downloaded App Code
Organize Patients (25)
Get test equipment installed on several test PC's
download code over the web
run the tests
Observe / change procedure
- 25 Create Administration dB
Start work on the Admin DB with resources that can be freed from the main effort.
- 26 Build (Admin) Patient set-up
Procedures for enrolling and tracking each customer
Do the design work necessary to develop the data base and code logic to prepare for a push on these apps in the next phase.
- 27 Customer Database Maintenance
Transactions to
create accounts
maintain tests purchased inventory
communicate account status to the customer
monitor account status internally

- 49 Introduce concept to selected MD's
Part market research and part sales to the doctors -
assess receptivity
educate
develop sales strategy based upon experience
- 50 Create Instructional Video
collaborate with the distribution group on the instructional video
- 51 Investigate Cardiologist Review of Test Data
Compile a coherent testimonial from individuals of stature in the Medical Profession.
- 52 Alliances / product sharing
Identify support facilities like video players
- determine the requirements
 - identify suppliers
 - negotiate and close

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EXHIBIT 3

GMBrid /cardiob at.com

Fr m: SoftQue [royce@softque.com]
Sent: Monday, August 23, 1999 10:03
To: George McBride
Subject: FW:

George I thought you might want to see this. rlr -----Original Message-----

From: Warren Williamson [mailto:warren@wlwill.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 1999 1:45 PM
To: royce@Softque.com
Subject:

Bob:

Following are my thoughts and observations about the next generation Thorasic Impedance Measurement System: The present Thorasic Impedance Measurement System design can be reduced greatly in size, cost, and power consumption by incorporating newer microprocessor technology which is now available. In particular, Digital Signal Processing (DSP) techniques can be used to perform the filtering and other signal processing functions which are implemented in the current design as individual amplifier and filter circuits. There are numerous DSP processors available now which are capable of performing these functions. In addition, performance will be improved with the use of these techniques. Much of the size and cost of the present design relates to the connectors, switches, display, and other interface components. There is plenty of opportunity for reduction in these areas. Another step which can be taken if necessary to further reduce size is to use Surface Mount Technology. Even if not necessary for size reduction, it may be the best choice as this is a more modern assembly method and is becoming very widespread. The first step in the redesign process is to review the available microprocessor and DSP technology and select the appropriate processor based on cost, power consumption, external components required, and other design considerations. We also need to carefully specify the product functionality with the features necessary for the way we intend to apply it. Then we can do the circuit and firmware design and produce circuit boards and prototypes. I'm looking forward to working with you again on this project. Warren

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EXHIBIT 4

Answers to questions regarding Impedance Cardiography

Acceptance:

Impedance has not been widely accepted because its biophysics is not well investigated and the factors involved in the production of the signal are multiple and poorly understood. Impedance began to be promising about the same time that cardiac ultrasound came onto the scene. The physics of sonar was well researched; the technology proliferated rapidly and was marketed by many startup companies in the private sector. Virtually all of the research on impedance cardiography was done for the Apollo space flight by a team of researchers under Dr. William Kubicek, a physiologist at the University of Minnesota. The University held the patents on the device as the Minnesota Impedance Cardiograph. Like most universities, it was a disinterested entrepreneur, absent motivation from extensive clinical testing the technology languished. Computer power had to increase sufficiently to detect and assemble the average by separating the wandering "dirty" signal from cardiac impedance. Until the computing power was available, impedance would be seriously handicapped when comparing values against the "gold standard" for measuring cardiac output - measure the average of multiple cardiac cycles collected over a period of multiple seconds to minutes. Because its accuracy was in question, and all of the gold standards for measuring cardiac output were invasive and thus not applicable to day to day monitoring any place but the intensive care unit, there was no precedent for its use in the outpatient clinic setting. The medical community is conservative in embracing new ideas especially those not completely understood and explained by "hard" science facts and principles. Of course the electrocardiogram is still not completely explained and understood by hard science biophysics, but its utility has been accepted and validated through extensive clinical correlation and research, and even now new insights are gained annually about the electrocardiogram.

Except for a few of us, there is little clinical experience with this technology and therefore the opportunity for, and participation in, experience with the technology must occur before widespread acceptance can follow.

This is where a research partnership with a few large hospitals could be helpful. To validate the technology requires correlation with invasive measurements and one large group that almost always gets monitored early post operatively are coronary bypass patients and heart surgery patients in general. Invasive monitoring lines are removed as early as possible to reduce the risk of infection, but if a noninvasive technique can be shown to be reasonably accurate, safe and cheaper than the invasive one, every hospital administrator in the country providing cardiac surgery and cardiac care services will want to pursue the more cost effective strategy. Considering the substantial costs of invasive monitoring and the affordable cost of impedance, the technique could be extended to cardiac rehabilitation and out patient heart failure monitoring and management. Congestive heart failure (CHF) is the most costly DRG for Medicare and is projected to expand almost exponentially in our aging population over the next 3 decades. The opportunity to substantially reduce the number of costly hospitalizations in the ever growing heart failure population and its economic impact on business government and society cannot be underestimated. I firmly believe that CHF is so much better treated with outpatient impedance directed therapy than with the typical inpatient course of care that only under extreme conditions such as sepsis or malignant arrhythmias should a patient with CHF be admitted to hospital. CHF is not a disease requiring hospitalization for its optimum management. The disease must be managed in

the day to day environment where the patient lives. The strict diet, activity, and fluid restriction of the hospital environment only works until the patient leaves to go home, but is not applicable once he gets home, so he gets into trouble a little later and back he comes for another round of expensive care in the "ivory tower". Accurate, scheduled, hemo-dynamic surveillance can detect impending deterioration and direct appropriate treatment before the patient's condition reaches crisis proportions.

2) Demand and pricing:

The formula you used is right. If its' accuracy is valid then it's utility should be able to be proven. If it is perceived to have utility, widespread usage is inversely proportional to price.

What we are considering is a new paradigm for "medical technology business" where the profit has traditionally been made from selling the machine or "hardware". The new model is service or software analogous in that the machinery is viewed as a linkage device decreasing in purchase price all the time while ISP's underwrite the hardware purchase to get consumers tied to long-term service agreements. Digital satellite dishes, cell phones, digital pagers, and essentially all new age machinery are useless without service providers. Hell, even your car has OBD so you can't tune it without special software in the hands of a select few service providers.

Jim Buell 9-18-99

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EXHIBIT 5

DEMO - Message (Rich Text)

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From: SoftQue Inc. [royce@softque.com]

To: George McBride; Larry K. Macdonald

Cc:

Subject: DEMO

Sent: Sat 10/16/1999 17:47

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Phone - 602/534-7400

Fax - 602/535-6288

10/16/99 6:20:38 PM

Status of 2nd generation Portable Cardiac Lab (PCL):

George I guess that you have been using this PCL software as a basis and renaming it as "Cardiac Track" software.

Choices:

1. Assuming that we do **NOT** produce an interim product for a DEMO:

3rd generation CardiacTrack software:

I on the other hand have always believed that if we ever got funding we would start over with Client and Server software designed around the basic research and math that both Dr. Buell and I have worked in the original DOS based version know as the Cardiac Performance Lab (CPL). This would insure the most efficient use of the very small amount of time allocated to develop this product. This is a major change and it will require a complete rewrite to produce an efficient product that is small in size and easy to download over the net.

People Required:

With a couple of quality programmers and at least one and possible two high quality engineers to work me in my division of the company, then I believe that we can produce this product in a timely manner.

I would have the job of **coordinating** four major efforts:

1. A patient hardware/interface device with four lead electrode assembly
2. Client software (User)
3. Server software (Database & intelligent reports)

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From: SoftQue Inc. [royce@softque.com]

To: George McBride; Larry K. McDonald

Cc:

Subject: DEMO

Sent: Sat 10/15/1999 17:47

4 Working with the WEB developers on specifications. Making sure everyone is on the same page using the same specifications. These specifications will be somewhat broad and will change as required. The engineers/programmers will want some things and the Visual Basic programmers on both the Client and Server products will want their ideas incorporated as well as the WEB designers/programmers.

The server product would be the most complex product and would require a great deal of coordination between the Visual Basic programmers and the WEB programmers.

With my knowledge of the overall product and the creative input of the programmers and engineers we should end up with a very high quality product.

2. Assuming that we DO produce an interim product for a DEMO:

2nd generation Portable Cardiac Lab (PCL)

I would continue to develop the PCL software and make it work and act somewhat like the CardiacTrack product.

If I do NOT sell my company in a timely manner I will need a least one programmer to work with me on a full time basis. I would want this individual to be a full time employee. We would need funding of some kind if this is the case.

The attached flowchart assumes that we use the interim product. All most all of this work would have to be repeated when we start designing the CardiacTrack product. Of course some of it could be used but not much.

I am NOT in favor of this manner of time management. I realize it may help to sell the product and it may have to be done.

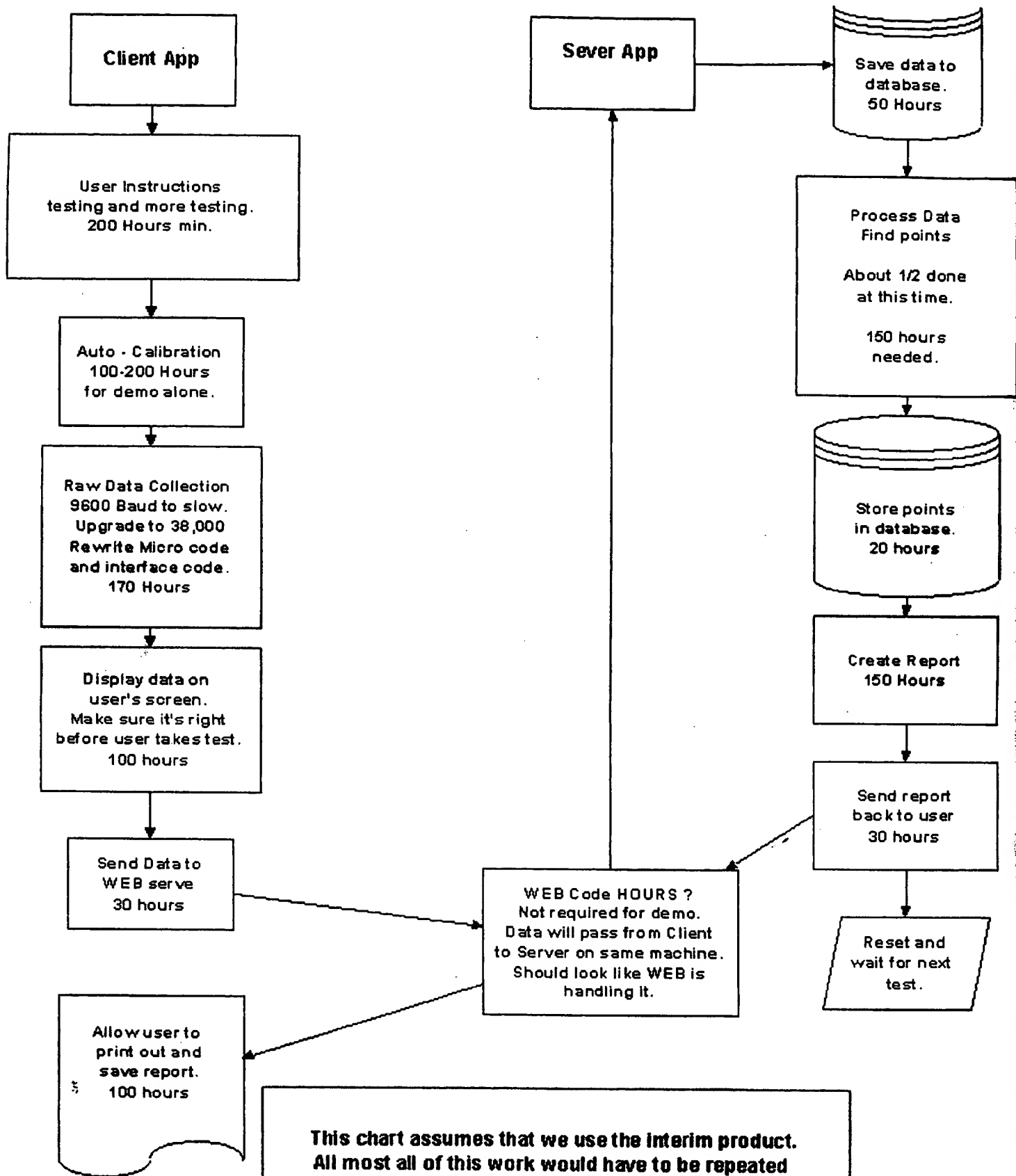
Developing the PCL software could also backfire on us, as the device will not look or feel like the actual product. If you show a physician a "Stand Alone System" and then tell him your going to split it up he may not understand the concept. Or he may not want to.

I believe that producing a PCL demo will cause MAJOR problems but if you all insist that it be done then lets get a bit of funding and do it.

I need feedback on this - is this what you need for Tuesday?



overview.ppt (04 KB)



~~For the interim product, the work would have to be repeated when we start deigning the Cardiac Track product.~~

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EXHIBIT 6



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Overview of software development status for the CARDIO-TRACK phase one product deliverable

Server CARDIO-TRACK data reduction and analysis module code

WEB data transfer application

Client application

User friendly tools

Help

AVI Videos (Sent with startup CD)

Checks for misplaced sensors

Checks for correct waveforms

Click once to start test

Press space bar or mouse to halt or suspend test

Automatic Transmission from the host server to client

Update Client application software (real time)

Data movement

Transmission to the host server from the client

Data movement

Server processing

Processes data

Create reports

Routing to client & physicians

E-Mail Reports

Emergency calls

Database

Storage of Client data

Communications between parties (patient and physician)

Customer service module

Patrick Smith – Data Base Administration

The Oracle decision - what are the alternatives and why Oracle

Scalability

Web Interface capabilities

Hardware Options

Brett Scott – Microsoft Visual Basic / Web Coding

The Microsoft environment

Moving protected Data

The User Interface

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- Overview of software environment
 - CARDIO-TRACK test
 - User friendly tools
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 - Videos
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 - Data movement
 - Transmission to the host server from the client
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- CARDIO-TRACK test code
 - Calculations
 - Reporting
 - Data transfers

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Brett Scott – Microsoft / Web Coding

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Bob Gubser – Sensor Manufacturing

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- Characterize the prototype

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Re: Quotation # 000107-1

Bob:

Considering the very short time frame and limited resources available, I believe the following is the best approach for this step in the Impedance Measurement development:

1. Reduce the size and cost by eliminating functions not needed in the present concept. Keep the basic approach the same -- analog signal processing followed by the A/D and serial transmission to the PC.
2. Redesign the necessary portions to eliminate those problems which you have identified in the present prototypes.
3. Make other cost and size reduction changes where they can be identified as "low risk", i.e. those that we can be reasonably sure will not add a lot of delay to the program.

We should be able to produce something approximating the size of the enclosure which I showed you during our meeting Thursday. Although I can't cost everything out until the design is done, we should be able to build it in 100 pc. quantities for something in the neighborhood of \$50 -- \$75 each.

Early in the redesign phase we should also look at some other potential cost savings. For example, the filters we are currently using account for \$13 of material costs (100 pc. quantities). How much filtering do we really need? The requirement should be less if we have no connection to the power line system. Also, we can use a microcontroller with a built in A/D converter thereby cutting the cost of the two separate devices approximately in half. There are other potential savings that would not add much development time. If we can quickly evaluate the potential savings vs. risk, we should do so.

Following is my proposed development plan. There will necessarily be some overlap in the steps as proposed. This is a very aggressive development schedule. However, it is achievable. I am assuming I will not be responsible for any PC software development.

Because of the developmental nature of the project, I have quoted "not to exceed" costs. The actual costs may be somewhat less, but not more than the amounts below unless the scope of the development changes by mutual agreement. Engineering time is billed at \$110/hr. Technician/PCB Layout time is billed at \$60/hr. Materials and other expenses are billed at cost + 20%.

Phase 1.

Redesign of known problem areas. Evaluation of potential cost/size saving circuit redesign. Prototyping and test of new circuits.

Time -- 2 weeks	Maximum Cost -- \$ 11,500
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Phase 2.

Finalize circuit design and schematic. Firmware redesign. Mechanical design.

Time -- 1 to 2 weeks	Maximum Cost -- \$ 9,500
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Phase 3.

PCB design and layout. Fabricate prototype PCB. Purchase components. Build and Test Prototype.

Time -- 2 weeks	Maximum Cost -- \$ 5,600
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Total	Time -- 5 to 6 weeks	Maximum Cost -- \$ 26,600
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Terms - \$ 8,500 with order
\$ 8,500 at completion of Phase 1
\$ 8,500 at completion of Phase 2
Balance of Costs at Completion of Phase 3.

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EXHIBIT 8

Timing of Test Waveforms

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The Test waveforms consist of ramping waveforms (sawtooths) on all four channels. All four channels are continuously transmitted at 38.4 Kbaud in the format as described in "Cardiobeat Communications Protocol (Preliminary)". Since 10 bits are transmitted for each byte (8 data bits + START + STOP), the maximum number of bytes per second which may be transmitted at this rate is 3840. We actually transmit 3200 bytes per second. Two bytes are transmitted for each channel and there are 4 channels so the sample rate is 400 samples/second/channel. (4 Channels x 2 bytes/channel x 400 samples/second = 3200 bytes/second)

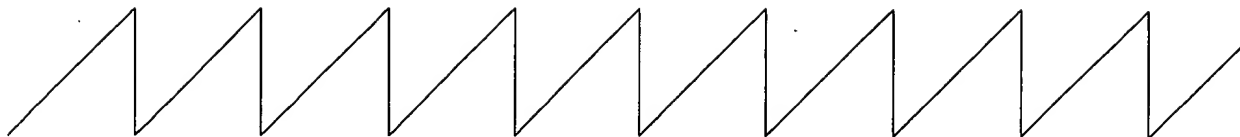
The Channel 0 data is incremented once for every transmission (400 times per second). Therefore it makes a complete cycle of 256 steps in 256/400 seconds, or .64 seconds.

The Channel 1 data is incremented every other transmission (200 times per second). There are two transmissions of the same data. Therefore it makes a complete cycle of 256 steps in 256/200 or 1.28 seconds.

The Channel 2 data is incremented every fourth transmission (100 times per second). There are four transmissions of the same data. Therefore it makes a complete cycle of 256 steps in 256/100 or 2.56 seconds.

The Channel 3 data is incremented every eighth transmission (50 times per second). There are eight transmissions of the same data. Therefore it makes a complete cycle of 256 steps in 256/50 or 5.12 seconds.

CH0



← .64 Sec →

CH1



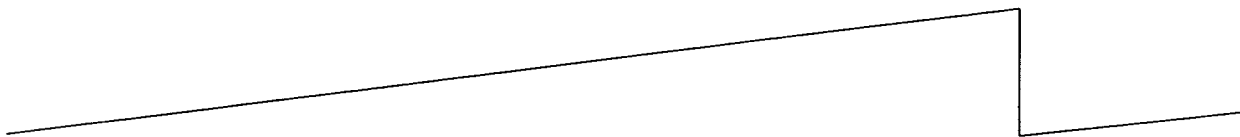
← 1.28 Sec →

CH2



← 2.56 Sec →

CH3



← 5.12 Sec →

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EXHIBIT 9

CARDIOBEAT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

PRELIMINARY

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Communication between the Impedance Measurement Unit and the Host is via a full duplex RS232 connection at 38.4 Kilobaud. Measurement data are sent to the Host as byte pairs, MSB followed by LSB. The MSN (Most Significant Nibble) of the 8 bit A/D data is sent as the lower four bits of the MSB. The LSN of the 8 bit A/D data is sent as the lower four bits of the LSB. Each byte pair conveys the following information:

1. The Byte ID (LSB or MSB) (b4 = 0 for LSB, b4=1 for MSB).
2. The A/D channel number (0 - 3) of the data contained in this pair (b7 and b6 of the MSB)
3. The A/D data MSN or LSN (b3 – b0).
4. Calibrate/Normal mode. (LSB b6 = 1 in calibrate mode)
5. Note that b5 is always 1 in both MSB and LSB. This insures that no data byte will be an ASCII control character.

MSB Contents	b7 CH MSb	b6 CH LSb	b5 1	b4 1	b3,b2,b1,b0 A/D MSN
LSB Contents	b7 spare	b6 MODE	b5 1	b4 0	b3,b2,b1,b0 A/D LSN

The channel identification is as follows:

CH0 – ECG

CH1 – dz/dt

CH2 - DZ

CH3 – Z0

Each channel is sampled and its data transmitted in turn so that 8 sequential bytes represent one sample of each of the 4 channels.

Using this protocol, up to 480 data points per second per channel may be transmitted at 38.4 Kbaud. (10 bits x 2 bytes x 4 channels x 480/sec). The actual data rate will be approximately 400 data points per second per channel.

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CARDIOBEAT DATA CONTENTS

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Each data sample may be represented as an 8 bit binary number with a value of 0 to 255 decimal. For the Z0 data (Channel 3) the data is unipolar with a scale of 50/255 Ohms per step. The value in Ohms may be obtained by multiplying the 8 bit unsigned value by .196.

The remaining 3 channels are referenced to approximately 1/2 scale (128 decimal). The actual reference value is the value obtained when the impedance device is in the CALIBRATE/NULL mode, hereinafter denoted NullValue. In operation, the real world value of the signal may be computed by subtracting NullValue from the signal value and multiplying by the appropriate scale factor. (Subtracting NullValue from the binary number puts the number in a 2s complement, 7 bit plus sign format)

The Scale factors are as follows:

- CH0 – ECG: 27.8 microVolts/step. (3.56 mV full scale)
- CH1 – dz/dt: -.0156 Ohm/sec./step (-2 Ohm/sec full scale)
- CH2 – DZ: .00156 Ohm/step (.2 Ohms full scale)
- CH3 – Z0: .196 Ohm/Step (50 Ohms full scale)

Examples:

Assume the CALIBRATE/NULL mode produces a NullValue of 130 on CH0, CH1, and CH2. (In reality the three readings may be slightly different.)

Z0: 25 Ohms will produce a binary number of ~ 128.

$$128 \times .196 = 25.088 \text{ (Ohms)}$$

$$\text{(Var} \times .196) = \text{Z0}$$

DZ: -.1 Ohms will produce a binary number of ~ 66.

$$(66 - 130) \times .00156 = -.09984 \text{ (Ohms)}$$

$$\text{(Var} - \text{Null}) \times .00156 = \text{DeltaZ}$$

dz/dt: -1 Ohm/sec will produce a binary number of 194.

$$(194 - 130) \times -.0156 = -.9984 \text{ (Ohms/sec)}$$

$$\text{X } \text{(Var} - \text{Null}) \times .0156 = \text{dzdt}$$

$$\text{(Var} - \text{Null}) \times -.0156 = \text{dzdt} \quad \text{(Note negative sign on factor)}$$

ECG: +1 mV peak will produce a binary number of 166.

$$(166 - 130) \times .0278 = 1.0008 \text{ (mV)}$$

$$\text{(Var} - \text{Null}) \times .0278 = \text{ECG}$$

The way I read this I would compute as shown in blue.

Right or Wrong.

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CH0 – ECG

3.56 mV full scale. The ECG data is centered around half scale. That is, the output of the ECG amplifier is biased to 2.5 Volts with no signal present before being input to the A/D converter. With no signal, the binary data transmitted will be approximately 128 decimal (80 Hex). A positive signal on Lead 2 with respect to Lead 3 produces positive data.

CH1 – dz/dt

-2 Ohms/Sec Full Scale. The dz/dt data is centered around half scale. That is, the output of the dz/dt amplifier is biased to 2.5 Volts with no signal present before being input to the A/D converter. With no signal, the binary data transmitted will be approximately 128 decimal (80 Hex). The sense of the signal is inverted – a decreasing impedance produces a positive going signal.

CH2 – DZ

.2 Ohms full scale. The DZ data is centered around half scale. That is, the output of the DZ amplifier is biased to 2.5 Volts with no signal present before being input to the A/D converter. With no signal, the binary data transmitted will be approximately 128 decimal (80 Hex). An impedance greater than Z0 produces positive data (> 128). An impedance less than Z0 produces negative data (<128).

CH3 – Z0

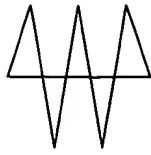
50 Ohms full scale. The Z0 data is zero based. Zero Ohms produces a data value of zero. 25 ohms produces a data value of 128 (80 Hex). 50 Ohms produces a data value of 255. (FF Hex).

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Bob:

I am attaching our invoice # 4772 in the amount of \$8500. Per our agreement, the payment is due upon completion of Phase 2. Although the phases have become overlapped, we are certainly well along with Phase 3.

Following is an accounting of the actual expenditures to date:

Engineering - \$14,860.00

Technician - \$ 5,185.00

Components - \$ 1,895.94

Total - \$ 21,940.94

The prototype is working well as far as I have been able to test. However, I have not yet checked with live signals. It will be very helpful to have the ability to display the real data. Do you have anything to give me yet?

We have most of the components to build several more prototype units. I estimate the labor to build and test them at \$500 each. This is outside the scope of our agreement and will represent additional charges. It may make sense to do a PCB re-layout before building more units. I will give you my recommendation on that after the prototype has been completely checked out.

I am very happy with the way the prototype is shaping up. It is much closer to the desired end product than originally envisioned by my proposal. I can now begin to put together some cost figures for 100's and 1000's of units.

Warren